

HAS RUN ITS SPAN

Blaine's Vital Forces Have Nearly Given Out.

HE MAY LIVE A FEW DAYS

Yesterday Morning Nothing but Heroic Treatment Prevented Dissolution From Heart Failure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Dr. Johnston and Hyatt called at the Blaine mansion at 11 o'clock, and found Mr. Blaine doing so well that they told the family that they had no apprehension of dissolution taking place within the next twenty-four hours. After they left the house the family retired for the night. At 1:30 this morning the mansion is shrouded in darkness, with the exception of the sick chamber, where a dim light is burning.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—All day long the life of James G. Blaine has hung trembling in balance. For more than an hour in the forenoon hope was abandoned and the end was momentarily expected by physicians, family and friends. All stimulation was thrown aside in the apparent imminent presence of death, and the suppressed facts of his illness, the long denied but now admitted Bright's disease, the occasional intervals of delirium, the long hours when he has lain incapable of speech or motion (as it is said was not the case when Cardinal Gibbons paid him his recent friendly call) and these other distressing features of his illness are all incidental to the one overpowering organic trouble, Bright's disease. Aggravated, as this has been of late, by a cold contracted while imprudently venturing out driving two weeks ago, and by malarial fever, confronted by a constitution impaired of nearly two years continuous sickness, all these facts are tacitly admitted. The physicians assert that there have not been any hemorrhages as has been asserted, but this is almost the only alarming symptom not present.

The first crisis was reached between 10 and 11 o'clock this morning, when a sinking spell set in, from which the worst was feared. His family were called round the bedside, and his physicians went messenger after messenger to the nearest drug store with prescriptions requiring hasty attention. The distinguished patient lay unconscious and to all outward appearances dying, until shortly before 1 o'clock p. m. a slight rattle in his pulse, which had almost ceased, began to become again perceptible, and partial consciousness was restored. At 2 o'clock his physicians, Drs. W. W. Johnston and Hyatt, considered him so much improved, as to render their continuance at the bedside unnecessary. At 3 o'clock, however, the marked improvement, and no change in his condition upon which hopes of ultimate recovery could be based, the immediate crisis had passed.

At 3:30 this afternoon a United Press reporter saw James G. Blaine, Jr., at the family residence, and that his father's attack this morning was very bad and created the gravest apprehensions. His condition became so weak that it was feared, in view of his feeble condition, a recurrence must involve the gravest consequences.

Physic Breaking Up. Mrs. Hale, wife of Senator Eugene Hale, one of Mr. Blaine's closest friends, was at the house for several hours during the day and made a second visit late in the afternoon. About 5 o'clock she left and soon after Senator Hale called.

Mr. Hale's statement as he left the house as to Mr. Blaine's condition was that Mr. Blaine seemed a little more comfortable than he had been earlier in the day, but that his condition appeared to be critical.

"It may be," he said, "that he will recover, but those who have an interest in him have reason to be alarmed. In fact his condition is alarming. It is difficult to name the trouble. It is a general physical breaking up. When he takes a cold it brings on a constant fever and he is not in a condition to withstand it. Besides there are ordinary complications. His mind is perfectly clear."

The house was lighted up early and all the lower shutters closed. Mrs. Hyatt and William Johnston, who were to minister to the patient for consultation between 7 and 8 were sent for just before 5 o'clock. Dr. Hyatt was the first to arrive. He reached the house about five minutes after the hour and was followed soon by Dr. Johnston. The fact that both Dr. Johnston and Dr. Hyatt were summoned gave rise to a rumor that the patient was suffering from another attack of exhaustion. This, however, proved to be an error and the statement was authoritatively made at 7 p. m. that nothing in the nature of a relapse had occurred. While the improvement in Mr. Blaine's condition is a bright and not sufficient to afford any great amount of encouragement to his family and friends, the reaction has seemed to modify the feeling of apprehension for the immediate future. James G. Blaine, Jr., and Walter E. Dameron, the ex-secretary's son-in-law, walked down the avenue this evening.

All day representatives of the press have patrolled Madison place and carefully watched the old mansion which has become celebrated for its historical associations and the family which has met its misfortune has followed its occupants, from the Soldiers' Keys tragedy, which occurred more than a third of a century ago, followed by the attempted assassination of Secretary Seward during the last year of the civil war, down to the present time, the fall of ill fate has hung over the mansion. During the less than four years' occupancy of this house by the Blaine family his daughter, the wife of Colonel Coppinger, Walker Blaine and Edmund Blaine, the secretary's promising sons, have died.

through the night. At the same time he is undoubtedly critically ill, and any complications that may arise would doubtless cause a fatal termination to his illness.

The Family Talk. A little after 6:30 o'clock James G. Blaine, Jr., came out and said to the reporters: "We think that father is considerably better than he was this morning. He was dangerously ill during the forenoon. During the afternoon, however, he seems to have rallied somewhat. The physicians have been here this evening. They think that he will live through the night and we hope for the best. Still it must be said that he is very dangerously ill."

These were the strongest statements that had yet been made by the family or the physicians as to the condition of the ex-secretary. President Harrison, accompanied by his private secretary, Eljah Holford, walked over from the white house to the ex-secretary's residence this evening to personally inquire as to his condition, and expressed relief and gratification at being informed that there had been some statement of the more alarming symptoms. From an intimate friend of the family it is learned that it was only when Mr. Blaine was suddenly seized with the sinking spell this morning, which threatened for some minutes the condition of a heart failure, that his family fully realized how near he was to death. For a few seconds he seemed to be in extremis and a deathly pallor crept over him. The face of the dying statesman was white as marble and his features easily drawn. At times he scarcely seemed to breathe and at others gasped for breath.

Mr. Blaine's Courage. The physicians, who had been hastily summoned, were in the meantime not idle; they plied him with stimulative cordials, the trained nurses chafed his extremities, and it was only after working over the patient for upwards of thirty minutes and the application of every art known to the medical profession that Mr. Blaine slowly revived. But the battle with death found him extremely weak, weaker than at any time when suffering a relapse. He was too weak even to whisper and lay with no sign of recognition in his half closed eyes.

The family gathered around the bedside and were all in tears except Mrs. Blaine. She maintained outward composure throughout the trying scene and calmly gave such directions to the attendants as were necessary. Her will power, in fact her heart was breaking, is described as something pathetic and marvelous. Whatever may have been Mrs. Blaine's suspicions or knowledge of her husband's condition through all of the intervening months of his illness, she has given no outward sign of such knowledge. That she did not believe in his future recovery. It has been her cheerfulness under most distressing circumstances that has soothed her husband's despondency.

His Fight for Life. Of late Mr. Blaine's physical condition has been such that he has at times given way to despondency. While manifesting no fear of death, Mr. Blaine has often said he did not want to die.

"In fact," says an intimate friend of the family, "Mr. Blaine has fought death for many months, but he has at times given way to despondency. While manifesting no fear of death, Mr. Blaine has often said he did not want to die."

"Then he would quote these lines by N. P. Willis:

"This is a glorious death. The angels of light Walk not so dazlingly the sapphire walls of heaven."

"Mr. Blaine has lived about sixty-two years, but when you appreciate what years mean to him, he has lived beyond three score and ten."

Blaine and Clay. He has been compared in his public life with Mr. Clay. There is close resemblance between Mr. Blaine and that great tribune of the people. Clay was magnetic, so is Blaine; each were powerful before the people and prepared a genial fellowship that bound men to them with hooks of steel. Both had an ambition to be great, but Mr. Blaine's public career will stand higher in the esteem of future generations than that of Mr. Clay. Both were remarkable men and have left their lasting impress upon the times in which they lived.

At 9:30 o'clock tonight a reporter for the United Press had an interview with Mr. Blaine's attending physicians, Dr. E. W. Johnston and Frank Hyatt. Speaking for them both, Dr. Johnston said:

"Mr. Blaine is distinctly better to-night than he was last night, and much better than he was this morning."

"What was the nature of the attack today, doctor?"

"It was a failure of his heart to perform its functions satisfactorily."

"His trouble was not in his heart?"

"No, it is not, but in the general weakness, from which Mr. Blaine is suffering, all the organs are affected and the heart makes manifest the whole system. Mr. Blaine's condition has been such, that when he takes cold, as he did ten days or two weeks ago, fever followed, causing a deterioration of the system. For some days prior to and including yesterday, however, he was recovering from the effects of the cold and fever and last night he was entirely free from fever, his pulse beating strongly and his condition quite gratifying. This morning, however, he has an ill turn; his heart beats become more indistinct and irregular, and he was more languid and less observant. However, he rallied from that condition, those symptoms disappearing. He has taken nourishment during the afternoon and tonight as I said, he is better and brighter. His pulse is stronger and the reaction quite marked."

"You apprehend no danger of immediate dissolution, then?"

"No; on the other hand, if he maintains his present ability to take nourishment and gain sufficient strength to overcome or obviate future attacks like that of today, there is nothing in his disease that should carry him off."

Can Think It Over. PRINCETON, Dec. 18.—Ernest F. Rees, private secretary for Henry R. Rees & Co., pork packers, was re-committed to jail yesterday in default of \$4,000 bail to answer the charge of stealing from his employers.

NO FEAR OF PANIC

Enough Gold in the Treasury for Export.

CRISIS FORESEEN BY FOSTER

Money Paid for the Yellow Metal Will be Used to Replenish the Supply.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary of the Treasury Charles Foster, today expressed himself freely respecting the alarm felt in financial circles over the anticipated large gold exports. He said he looked upon the situation not simply as a spectator awaiting his retirement from office.

"I am secretary of the treasury," he said, "and will be until relieved on the fourth of March next. My duty will be performed in the interest of the public welfare as vigorously as if my term was not soon to end. Every resource at my command will be available to preserve the purity of gold and silver as I am commanded by law."

"How about the reserve treasury?" "None can obtain gold from the treasury without paying money for it, and with the money received I can recoup the gold. There is also the right vested in the secretary of the treasury to sell bonds, if necessary to maintain the gold reserve. The treasury situation as to the cash balance is such as to permit the free use of cash received for gold to again obtain gold."

"Will the gold reserve be maintained?"

"It will be," This was stated with the utmost emphasis. "I firmly believe that with the resources at the command of the department I shall not be seriously embarrassed in short maintaining it. I recommend to congress in my annual report that the reserve be increased from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000."

As the secretary's report was prepared before the present abnormal drain of gold to Europe started, Secretary Foster reasonably claimed credit for fully anticipating the present pressure and taking all the cautions to meet it.

WILL TAKE IT EASY.

Neither House Nor Senate Will Do Much Before the Xmas Recess.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—With the approach of the holidays, the attendance in both houses of congress is steadily diminishing and it is doubtful whether a quorum can be maintained in either the senate or the house during the few days that remain before the Xmas recess begins. In the senate an adjournment will be taken immediately after prayer tomorrow as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Gibson of Louisiana.

In the morning hour Tuesday, the McGarran bill will be further discussed. This measure has been allowed to occupy the morning hour as long as any one cared to speak of it. Senator Watson of Iowa has been the chief spokesman in the matter. He has made a true study of the famous claim, his remarks together with the rejoinders that will doubtless be made, may prevent the senate from reaching a vote on the proposition to pass the bill over the veto, until after the holidays.

The anti-trust bill hangs over the heads of the senators as unfinished business and will come again after the morning hour on each of the three working days remaining before the recess, but it is not expected that a vote can be reached in that time. The program of the house will be to finish the bill for the three of the four days on which congress will be in session.

Tomorrow is committee suspension day and the roll of committees will be called and an opportunity given each committee to pass one bill, provided it can secure a two-thirds vote and escape a point of "no quorum" by even one member.

Tuesday is made a special order for bills from the committee on public lands and Wednesday has been allotted to the commerce committee. Chairman McKee of the former committee will be the first to present his swamp lands bill, but if he finds the opposition to it strong, may conclude that half a loaf is better than no bread and attempt to pass the timber culture bill, the De Meigs river land grant bill or a bill for classification of lands along the Pacific railroad.

The committee on commerce will meet tomorrow to decide on the kind of measures it will attempt to pass. The most important bill the committee wishes to pass is the omnibus light-house bill, appropriating more than \$700,000 for new and necessary light-houses on the great lakes and the Atlantic and Pacific coasts. It is also anxious to pass a bill for the construction of several additional revenue cutters.

Thursday is chiefly set apart for adjourning over the Christmas recess and apparently will not be a very busy day. After the holidays the appropriation bills will begin to monopolize the time of the house. Thus far the army bill, reported by the military committee, is one of the regular appropriation bills on which action by the house has been had.

BLAINE SAID ENOUGH.

Secretary Foster Will Make No Reply to a Reporter's Inquiry.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Secretary of State Foster, in answer to an inquiry by a reporter for the United Press, tonight stated that he did not think it necessary to make further reply to the interview of the Canadian minister of finance, telegraphed from Ottawa Friday last. Mr. Blaine made a full report to President Harrison on the result of the reciprocity conference of last February, and this was transmitted to congress. The finance minister, Mr. Foster, also made a report to the Canadian parliament. The latter, at this late date, deems it proper to add to these reports by a narrative from members of portions of informal and unrecorded conversations lasting through long sessions of the conference, the secretary of state does not regard himself as called upon to pursue the method of discussion by counter statements. He said that the only point which seemed to call for reply related to the negotiations as to the canal, and as the Canadian government had made that matter the subject of diplomatic correspondence, the secretary of state deemed it more appropriate to confine

his reply to that channel, and not to burden the public press by premature publication.

Have Accomplished Nothing.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—It is said at the treasury department that the international monetary conference at Brussels will adjourn on or before December 21, to some time in the spring not yet settled, and that the American delegates will leave for home at once.

"Rosey" a Well Man.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—General Rosecrans continues to improve visibly. He goes about his room and appears to have regained his normal health.

REBELLIOUS YAQUIS.

Mexican Indians Taking Refuge in the Mountains.

DEMING, N. M., Dec. 18.—News comes from the state of Chihuahua, Mex., of serious discontent among the Yaqui Indians and ignorant Mexicans. The Indians are reported to be abandoning their homes in the northern part of the state and taking refuge with their families in the strongholds of the Sierra Madre mountains, in the western portion. Large numbers from the adjoining state of Sonora have joined them. The source of the trouble is the natural sympathy of these Indians for their neighbors, who were recently expelled from their lands by the troops and the fear of a like fate for themselves. This discontent has been increased by the removal of the Yaquis from their rich lands and farms along the banks of the Yaqui river. The feeling against the government has become so strong that a sort of religious fanaticism by beautiful girl named Anita, whom they worship and who urges them to revolt against Diaz as the only means of salvation. It is estimated that there are nearly 300 Indians in the stronghold, and as many in the surrounding mountains. There is no concealing the fact that the outbreak is viewed with alarm by the general and state governments. The official newspaper of the City of Chihuahua concedes this fact. More than 800 Mexican troops under command of Gen. Jose Rangel, will be sent to the mountains where the Yaquis have been hiding. More than 200 ignorant Mexicans are reported to have joined the rebel Yaquis.

SOONERS IN LIMBO.

Oklahoma Land Grabbers to Be Tried for Pejory.

TOPEKA, Kas., Dec. 18.—Sixteen "Sooners" were brought here from Oklahoma this morning and turned over to the custody of United States Marshal R. L. Walker. They will be taken to Wichita tomorrow where they will be tried in the United States district court for entering the territory before the date set in the president's proclamation Sept. 22, 1889. These "Sooners" in proving their claims made affidavit that they did not enter the territory before the date set in the president's proclamation. The prisoners are all Bohemians who took land in the vicinity of Guthrie and are now prosperous farmers. Others it is said who were guilty of "sooner" but now occupy higher status than these poor Bohemians, will be left un molested.

HALF DOLLARS ARRIVE.

Chicago Has the Souvenir Coins Guarded by Detectives.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The world's fair souvenir half dollars to the number of 50,000 reached Chicago at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Nothing definite is known as to the time or method of shipment, and was only very hotly debated by the crowd of people who gathered to see the coins. The coins were unloaded under the watchfulness of four detectives and were taken in a well guarded wagon to the office of the United States Express company, where they were placed in the vaults. The distribution of the coins will begin at once.

Fell From Heaven.

ALBANY, Dec. 18.—About 5 o'clock yesterday morning a heavy snow storm set in, and a blizzard of the most violent kind was experienced. The snow was falling very rapidly and with a rushing sound fell into the street followed by a wake of bright sparks. Reckless hastened to the spot where it struck the earth and found a rock about fourteen inches in diameter and weighing very heavy and charred the board upon which it was placed. The rock had the appearance of a volcanic production.

Snap for the Pupils.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 18.—This city is to do away with the harrassing mental strain upon pupils in the public schools, who have been annually compelled to take examination for promotion before passing from a lower to a higher grade. Teachers are required to keep a record of the proficiency of pupils, and on January 1 each teacher will make out a list for promotion.

Regular Love Feast.

JACKSON, Dec. 18.—Over 500 and 600 locomotive engineers met here today and held a secret session behind closed doors. After the meeting Chief P. M. Arthur of the brotherhood said that the meeting was for purely social purpose, and especially to enlighten the members as to the workings of the association, of which many understood but little. The chief says the engineers have no grievance of any kind.

Just a Southern Shooting.

ASHVILLE, N. C., Dec. 18.—Yesterday afternoon O. R. Jones was shot and instantly killed, his son, Jesse Jones, perhaps fatally shot in the abdomen at their home near Leicester, twelve miles west of Asheville. It is not definitely known who killed Jones or who wounded his son.

Rich Whiskey Stills.

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 18.—A very large seizure of illicit distilleries has been made in Wilkes and Catawba counties. In the former excellent detective work was done by a man named Osborne, who gave the officers points as to the location of the stills. A few were cut up.

Newspaper Man Dead.

GREENSBORO, Dec. 18.—George Center Brown, a well-known journalist of the city died early this morning of heart failure.

BURNED IN A CAR

Five Men Roasted to Death While Asleep.

ANOTHER RAILROAD HORROR

A Freight Train Runs Down a Wrecking Train, the Crew of Which Have No Means of Escape.

ALEXANDRIA, Minn., Dec. 18.—The greatest wreck that ever occurred on the Great Northern occurred at Nelson, a small station about six miles east of here, at about 1 o'clock this morning. The wreckers stationed at this place were clearing up a small wreck that occurred the night before, and after finishing their work, about 9 o'clock, the men went into the caboose and soon fell asleep, expecting the wrecking train to pull out for St. Cloud any time.

About 1 o'clock an east bound freight came down the long grade west of Nelson and ran right into the rear end of the wrecking train at almost full speed. All the men in the caboose were killed except two, who escaped through the window before the train caught fire. Three men were got out from the burning caboose, but were dead. The rest of the bodies were not gotten out until the caboose burned down. Four of the bodies were found, but all but one was so badly burned that nothing but the bones remained. Six other men who were in a box car were very badly injured and one fireman was also badly hurt, having an arm broken and shoulder dislocated.

How it Occurred.

One of the wounded ones was taken to St. Paul, but died on the way. The names of those killed are as follows as far as can be learned: Nels Daddins, John Engstrom and his son, Ole Mattson, Chris Mattson. Those wounded are: Ambrose Lee, Thomas Walsh, Pat Hanlon, David Redd, and Henry Rose, fireman.

It is pretty hard to lay the blame on any single person in this case, and the engineer claims he tried to back up so they could open the switch and get on the siding, but there was no brakeman on the car, and being well loaded and coming down grade, it was impossible for him to do it alone, and he ran right down to the depot, where the other train was standing, and right into it. The brakeman had no orders from the conductor that they were to stop at Nelson and therefore did not apply the brakes. The coroner and a jury held an inquest today, but postponed it till tomorrow.

ANOTHER MIRACLE HEALED.

The Famous Canton Church Window Is Made of Pittsburgh Glass.

CANTON, Minn., Dec. 18.—A thorough examination has been made by an expert into the nature of the picture in the church window, before which thousands of people have bowed in worship and prayer since August 1. The result proves that there is nothing supernatural in its appearance. The glass is common sheet glass of the type produced by the smoked surface process, which this glass includes annealing, from which the cheapest grades emanate, and is covered with a film of smoke due to fuel used. This film is burned into the glass and is removed only by a polishing process, which the cheaper glass does not undergo. The effect on the glass is sometimes fantastic. Viewed from certain angles and in certain lights a variety of outlines may be seen. Alcohol was used and the window thoroughly cleaned outside and inside. The glass was then examined from all possible angles and the effects produced by the smoked surface were plainly apparent. There were lines and markings which might have resembled anything. The pilgrims continue to arrive, excursion trains bringing quite a number this morning.

INDIANS OBJECT.

The Oupas Will Fight the Indian Land Allotment Bill.

BAXTER SPRINGS, Kas., Dec. 18.—The Oupas Indians are preparing to make a vigorous fight against the passage by the house of a bill which passed the senate last Monday for the allotment of their lands. The chief, the councilors and a majority of the tribe have signed a protest which will at once be sent to Washington and presented by a committee of three to the house committee on Indian affairs. The Oupas want their lands allotted, but do not like the bill which has passed the senate, which, they claim, is in the interest of a run of land sharks and certain lawyers. The bill was slipped through the senate without consideration, but a strong effort will be made to kill it in the house.

FROM FIZZ TO BEER.

Margaret Mather Pabst Will Live in Milwaukee With Papa.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—A reconciliation has taken place between Captain Pabst and his son Gustavus, who became estranged by reason of the latter's marriage to Margaret Mather, the actress. After the marriage the son resigned his position as secretary of the company and arranged to go into business in Terre Haute, Ind. Gustavus Pabst and his bride arrived here yesterday and are now at the home of Captain Pabst, where they will permanently reside.

Race Across the Ocean.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Inman steamer City of Paris, now holding the record, and the Cunarder Etruria started at 2 o'clock this afternoon for a race across the ocean. Both steamers carry passengers hoping to arrive in time to spend Christmas at their homes in Europe. To accommodate holiday travel the sailing of the City of Paris was changed from Wednesday to today.

Another Man Gone Wrong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Edward P. Chamberlain, trustee of the estate of John M. George, who left several million dollars, and George Harvey, who left a fortune of \$300,000, are missing. Mr. Chamberlain is known to have specialized in grain and is said to have lost considerable money.

Johnstown Flood Echo.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 18.—Suit has been entered in the United States circuit court against the South Fork Fishing club by James Jenkins and wife of

Youngstown, Ohio, in the right of Mrs. Jenkins, for \$25,000 damages for injuries received in the Johnstown flood. This is the first suit ever entered directly against the South Fork club for its connection with the flood, and is regarded as a test suit.

Another World's Fair Row.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Another row is in the world's fair, this time between the government board of control at Washington, or more properly Secretary of War Elkins, and the South Park commissioners. The trouble grows out of an attempt to use the meadow in Washington park as the camping ground for a model military camp during the world's fair. A long while ago, here the site in 1883. Quay easily settled, the South Park offered Washington Park as a part of the site and the national commission accepted it.

Very Valuable Wife.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 18.—Attorneys have in hand the case of Clayton D. Quay against Robert McMillan, but hitherto suppressed. Mr. McMillan is a wealthy lumberman of Oakbrook. Mr. Quay wants \$250,000 for the loss of his wife, which he says is due to the persuasion of McMillan. Mrs. Quay is McMillan's adopted daughter. They were married in 1883. Quay says he was then called away on business and McMillan by threats and false reports induced Mrs. Quay to apply for a divorce which was granted.

Wicks Was Ruined.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—It was reported last evening that the Wicks Refrigerator company had made an assignment to George F. Brown, president of the company. It was stated that the company's assets and liabilities are equal and amount to \$17,000. The company was obliged to assign on account of the complications caused by the death of the former president, J. H. Wicks. He was supposed to be a millionaire, but it is now believed that he was practically insolvent at the time of his death.

Young Man's Disgrace.

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 18.—Harry Houser, a United States mail collector and one of the most popular young republican politicians in the city, was arrested tonight, charged with robbing the mails and shop lifting. Houser was a prominent candidate yesterday for the republican primaries for mayor of Wheeling, but was defeated. He has confessed his crime. Houser was also of the Wheeling Lodge of Elks. The exposure caused a profound sensation.

He Fears Lynching.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—Council for Judge Rauman, a prominent republican and ex-mayor of Kennerly, who has been in jail for the past month charged with conspiring to assassinate Judge Long, the present mayor of Kennerly, has applied for a change of venue, alleging that public sentiment in Jefferson parish is influenced against the accused. It is an open secret among the white people in Jefferson parish that if Rauman is acquitted on the charge they will lynch him.

Killed Her Aunt.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 18.—At Kittanning, Pa., this morning Calia Boyd, aged 19, went to the residence of Mrs. Phillip Boyd, her aunt, and borrowed the quilt which Calia began snapping the weapon, which was discharged, the bullet striking Mrs. Boyd in the temple, from which she died in a few minutes. The girl claims the shooting was accidental. John Boyd, a son of the victim, says that the shooting was not accidental. Calia is under arrest on the charge of murder.

Brute Still at Liberty.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky., Dec. 18.—The mob which was expected to hang Miss Katie Anderson's assailant here has taken no action because the guilty mob has not been found. All the eight suspects under arrest were taken before the young lady yesterday, but she failed to identify any of them as the would-be ravisher and murderer. If he is caught, however, there will certainly be a tragedy.

Senator Gibson's Funeral.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 18.—The remains of Senator Randall Lee Gibson arrived here at 6 o'clock this afternoon. They were removed to the residence of Colonel Hart Gibson, on the Saratoga burg pike just beyond the city limits, from where they will be taken to St. Paul's Catholic church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock where the funeral services will take place.

Big Stakes for Sprinters.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—The spring meeting of the St. Louis Jockey club will open on April 29 and continue uninterrupted until June 25, forty-eight days in all. The money to be added to the stakes and the purses will amount to \$150,000. The entries to all stakes have been lowered to \$5. All stakes are to close on January 15.

Want Their Cash.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 18.—The Louisville & Nashville railroad, through its attorney, brought suit in Corbin, Ky., to recover of John C. McCourt, the late freight agent with the Cincinnati offices of the road, \$30,000 on account of delinquencies revealed by the investigation of McCourt's accounts, which has just closed.

Don't Fancy the Souvenir.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The new souvenir half dollar is on exhibition here and does not meet the general expectation of the people. A merchant says: "The piece is dull in appearance, the rimming is irregular, its general exhibit is unworthy of the government that issued it for the purpose intended."

Sunday Rule Abolished.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—The athletic war which has been waged between the Western Athletic association and the Amateur Athletic union has been brought to an end by the elimination from the by-laws of the A. A. U. of the rule prohibiting clubs from giving open games on Sunday.

Stole \$200,000.